IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of) Confirmation No.: 2619

Johannis J. Den Boer et al.

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 28 NOVEMBER 2007

Dear Sir:

Attorney for Applicant in the above-captioned hereby files a full response to a Office Action mailed on 28 November 2007. At the time the Office Action issued, claims 1-12 and 27-29 were pending.

The Commissioner for Patents is herewith authorized to charge to our Deposit Account 19-1800 any other amount incurred by the present response, or to credit this Deposit Account for any over-payment.

There are currently no amendments to the Claims. A listing of the claims as they currently stand begins on page 2.

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